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Applicants: Joseph E. Kaminkow et al.
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Title: GAMING DEVICE WITH AWARD AND DEDUCTION PROXIMITY-
BASED SOUND EFFECT FEATURE
Art Unit: 3713
Examiner: Scott E. Jones
Docket No.: 112300-012

Commissioner for Patents
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RESPONSE

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated February 17, 2004, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 12 of this paper.

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER (Large Entity)Applicant(s): **Joseph E. Kaminkow et al.**

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3713**GAMING DEVICE WITH AWARD AND DEDUCTION PROXIMITY-BASED SOUND EFFECT FEATURE****TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:**

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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CLAIMS AS AMENDED

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INDEP. CLAIMS	10 -	38 =	0 x	\$86.00	\$0.00
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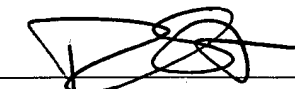


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